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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7933 BILL NUMBER: HB 1510 **DATE PREPARED:** Apr 2, 2001 **BILL AMENDED:** Apr 2, 2001

SUBJECT: Voter registration.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State & Local

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Summary of Legislation: (Amended) This bill has the following provisions:

- (A) Requires the Indiana Election Division to make voter registration forms available on the Internet website maintained by the Division so that the forms can be downloaded.
- (B) Requires the State Department of Health and the Department of Correction to make certain information concerning deceased voters and incarcerated individuals available to the election division electronically.
- (C) Repeals obsolete sections of the voter registration statutes.

Effective Date: July 1, 2001.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) (A) The Indiana Election Commission currently has an Internet web page that would allow the posting of voter registration forms. Given the online services already provided by Access Indiana to the Election Commission, there should be no new expenditure required to carry out this provision.

(B) The information required to be transferred to the Election Division from the State Department of Health (SDH) and the Department of Correction (DOC) concerning deceased and incarcerated individuals is already required to be collected by the SDH and the DOC. The information could be readily transferred by electronic mail at no increase to expenditure, given the SDH, DOC, and the Division have access to electronic mail.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: (Revised) (C) Under current law the County Voter Registration Office (CVRO) is required to send an application for registration by mail to an applicant who submitted a

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photocopied application at the mailing address set forth on the application. The repeal of the provision could save resources by reducing the amount of mailings made by the CVRO.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

<u>State Agencies Affected:</u> Indiana Election Division, Indiana Election Commission, Indiana State Department of Health; Indiana Department of Correction.

Local Agencies Affected: Counties, Precincts.

Information Sources:

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